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Please let the market forces decide the fate of Microsoft and the competitors. I assure you, us consumers don't purchase software because Microsoft places it in front of our face. We make educated decisions. If Sun and the rest of the industry want to use the government to sell their software, it is indeed a sad situation for them.

I don't think we as consumers are harmed with Microsoft. The best case one can make is that Microsoft is guilty of annoying some consumers. But their competitors are often far more annoying. (example: Real Networks, Netscape, AOL, and Sun's Office)

I hope you'll decide to settle and let the us, the consumers decide whether we'll let Microsoft tell us what software to use.

Regards,

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